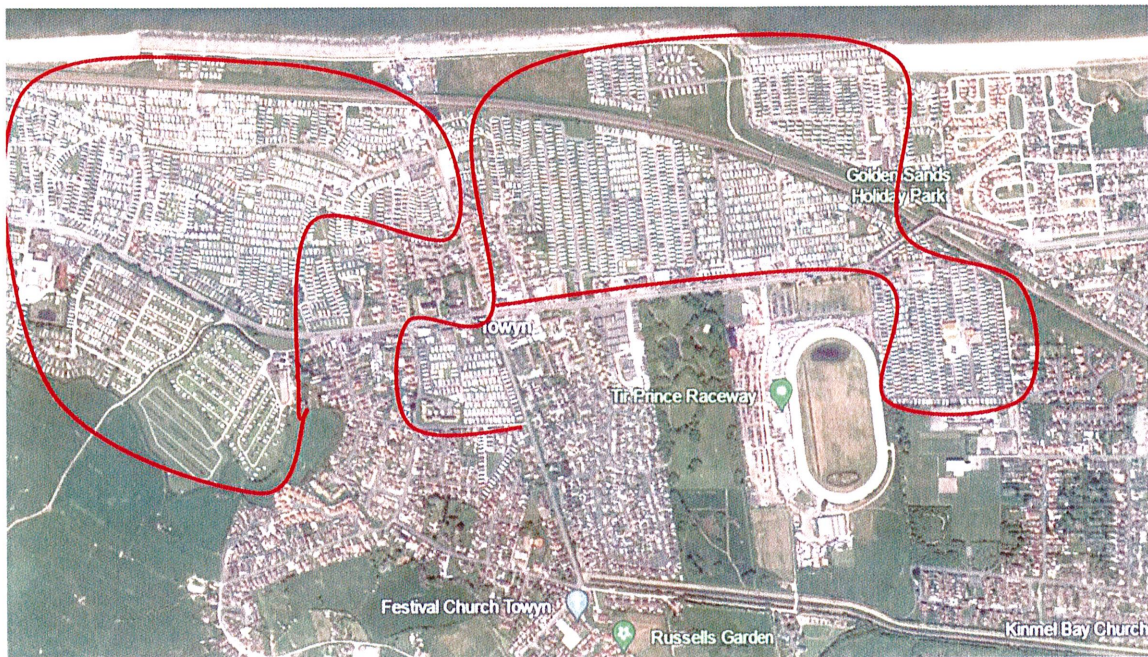


Dear Llyr,

Thank you for your flyer received here 3 Jan 2026; I hope you will stand for Clwyd in May, and I offer the following local perspectives and would be very interested in your views on the **following please**.

My wife Lynda and I are long-time (45yr) residents of Kinmel Bay, we are both elected members of Town and Kinmel Bay Town Council (TKB) (Lynda for Towyn – me for Kinmel Bay) we are governors at the local Infant school, we volunteer and fund-raise for various community matters.



Towyn and Kinmel Bay

The image above is intended to convey how the residential areas of TKB sit within large densely packed tourist / visitor caravan park areas outlined in red.

This situation has been allowed to evolve by a succession of County Councils and planning authorities. In numbers terms our residential population of some 8,500 is surrounded by some 12,000 family size caravans with something like a total of 60,000 bed occupancy spaces.

When we look at WIMD we see the residents of TKB are listed deprived in health, wealth, environment and the levels of adult education. Our community is listed to be at flood risk; we were flooded in 1990 and this impacts on planning.

Some say tourism is a £billion North Wales industry but while tourism draws on the community the extent to which any benefit is real or shakes down to the community is not known.

Our schools have higher than average free school meals, our food bank working hard and the WIMD assignment showing our area contains little by way of added value jobs. The caravan parks do employ lots of local people but in the main seasonal, insecure, low pay and unskilled.

In parallel TKB have a large empty industrial estate with very little by way of skilled work locally.

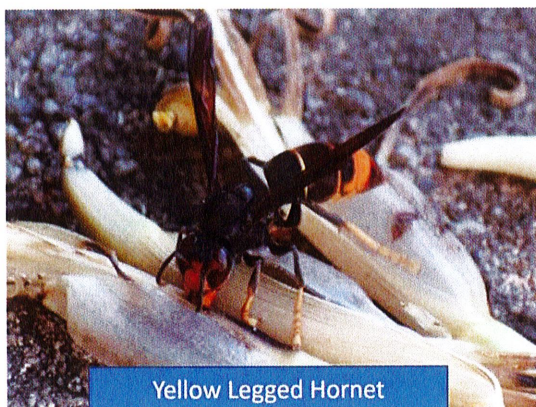
The recently introduced Wales Gov., Visitor Levy could significantly help to regenerate the area subject to Levy adoption by CCBC.

It is increasingly difficult to get a doctor's appointment and our vast visitor numbers draw on the limited local medical resources which are planned for the residential communities - including the regional hospital Glan Clwyd.

My personal experience being in July 2023 I had to attend A+E at YGC at 2a.m. I spent 23 hours in the crowded waiting room between tests and treatment (which was excellent eventually) then at the following 1am a bed before discharge later in the morning. I had two subsequent visits to A+E: and so, gaining some insight.

The local population of 8,500 is static but the holiday population is dynamic; assuming a holiday stay is one week then a typical caravan of say 5 occupants can see these visitors swapped every week so the call on medical services would be many times more in numbers and diversity compared to residents. So – the scale and impact of our vast local visitors appear more regional impacting across and beyond the new constituency.

TKB as a community with little by way of residential development so do not attract S106 development funding. Years of increased council tax and reduced services and poor health and low income all add to deprivation.



I am a beekeeper and keen on biodiversity improvement; we see Wales listed as one of the world's worst in terms of nature depletion. In parallel we see the Yellow Legged Hornet (YLH) frequently appearing in the UK. The YLH hunts pollinating insects and feeds these to its lava in large volume. Our depleted pollinator populations are particularly

threatened by YLH I feel beekeepers will manage but what's left of our nature may not.



St Kentigern Colour Run 2025

I volunteer with St Kentigern, and I am media officer with local sports centre Y Morfa; one of the few Platinum accredited sports centres in Wales; some 500 FAW football clubs in Wales serve boys, girls, ladies and men's teams as well as disabled and other sports. Y Morfa is one of the very few entirely managed by volunteers and funded through specific grants applied for by volunteers.



KBFC Men's



KBFC Boys

You did not mention sport in your flyer, yet this is such an important matter not least in deprived communities. Coaching through the respect agenda is good for young people.

1. Could you say where you stand on the visitor levy – some £0.75 per person per night I believe; could be £millions in development funding around here.
2. Could you comment of employment? Our community is under pressure through low levels of income, particularly with the cost-of-living crises and in face of the largely unskilled and unemployed population; but our future generations are being brilliantly educated – and need local opportunities.
3. Is there a YLH plan for the longer term to combat the hornet?
4. Community Sport supporting and funding.

Kind regards,

Cllr Barry Griffiths